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1. POL COUNSELOR WENT OVER CONTENTS REFTEL IN GENERAL WAY WITH
MEA JOINT SECRETARY FOR UN AFFAIRS KRISHNAN TODAY. KRISHNAN
WAS AWARE OF ALL ISSUES BUT SAID GOI POSITION ON MOST HAD
NOT YET BEEN FORMULATED.

2. ON KOREAN QUESTION (REFTEL AND STATE 162623), KRISHNAN
ASKED (A) WHETHER USG WANTED THIS ISSUE TAKEN UP THIS YEAR
AND (B) WHETHER THERE WAS ANY LIKELIHOOD THE SOVIETS WOULD
TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO DEFER DISCUSSION AT THE 28TH UNGA.
POL COUNSELOR SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING US EXPECTED SUBJECT
TO BE DISCUSSED SUBSTANTIALLY, THAT THIS APPEARED TO BE
PREFERENCE OF ROK, AND THAT HE HAD NO INFO ON WHETHER OTHERS
WOULD PROPOSE POSTPONEMENT. KRISHNAN SAID THAT WHILE GOI
FAVORED UNIVERSALITY IN PRINCIPLE, DIVIDED STATES ALWAYS POSED
SPECIAL PROBLEM AND HE WAS UNABLE TO ANTICIPATE POSITION GOI
WOULD TAKE. MUCH WOULD DEPEND ON ATTITUDE OF OTHER STATES AND
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WHETHER POSTPONEMENT BECAME AN ISSUE. COMMENT: KRISHNAN IS

CAUTIOUS AND MAY NOT HAVE BEEN FRANKLY STATING GOI POSITION
BUT IT WOULD SEEM THAT KOREAN BELIEF (RANGOON 1834) THAT
INDIA SUPPORTS ROK POSITION MAY BE PREMATURE. WE WILL
CHECK WITH ROK CONGEN HERE LATER IN AUGUST AFTER VISIT BY ROK
PRESIDENTIAL SPECIAL ASSISTANT CHOE KYU-HA (SEOUL 5290) TO SEE
WHETHER INDIAN POSITION HAS CLARIFIED AND TO CONSIDER WHETHER
WE SHOULD APPROACH GOI AT HIGHER LEVEL AFTER FOREIGN MINISTER
AND FOREIGN SECRETARY RETURN FROM ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE.

3. KRISHNAN WAS PREDICTABLY VAGUE ON PROSPECTS FOR TERRORISM
RESOLUTION BUT THOUGHT IT WAS POSSIBLE CONVENTION ON PROTECTION
OF DIPLOMAT MIGHT BE AGREED TO AT THIS SESSION. HE SAID HE
HAD NOT CHECKED RECENTLY BUT IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION GOI GENERALLY
SATISFIED WITH DRAFT CONVENTION. PROBLEM WAS IN KEEPING
CONVENTION SEPARATE FROM MORE COMPLICATED POLITICAL ISSUES
INVOLVED IN TERRORISM RESOLUTION.

4. HE HAD NO SPECIFIC REMARKS ON OTHER ISSUES. IT WAS AGREED
POL COUNSELOR AND KRISHNAN WOULD GO OVER UNGA AGENDA AGAIN
FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM ALGIERS SEPTEMBER 9.

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